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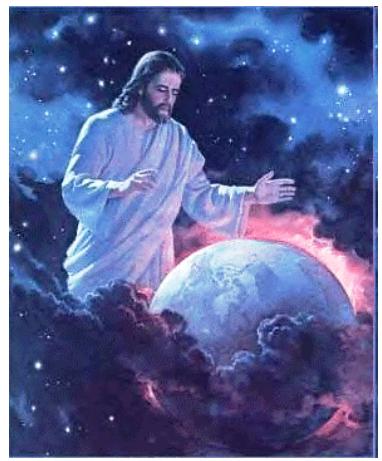
Why Are We Here? 我们为何而生？

Life's Purpose



To know where we are going; we need to know where we have come from. If there is truly a God who created humans, why did He make us? Are we born merely to slowly decay and die? Is this the purpose of being on earth?

我们存在的意义究竟在哪里？假如上帝创造了人类，他的目的是什么？人生难道只是生, 老, 病, 死的徒劳么？

Why are we here today? What is the reason for our existence?

What is the purpose of life on earth? Many people do not find this purpose and as a result life seems to be meaningless.

Are we born merely to slowly decay and die?

Millions like you are searching for the answers to these questions. Today we will see how the Bible gives us a purpose for our existence.

我们活在今生今世的根本原因是什么？人类不断在这个地球上生活的目的是什么？很多人不断求索而不得其门而入，很多人因此失去了人生的希望和存在的意义。

不少人和你一样在不断寻求着答案，今天我们将要从圣经里探寻人类存在的意义。

1. According to the Bible, how did God create the world? 根据圣经的记述，神如何创造世界?

a. 创世纪 **Genesis 1:1-3**_____

b. 诗篇 **Psalms 33:6,9** _____

In these simple words, 'in the beginning God,' we find the answer to the mystery of life. The first teaching recorded in the Bible is that there is a God; in fact, this first verse in the Bible tells us of His mighty act of creation. This mighty act is merely by speaking things into existence!

在这些简单的语句里,"起初神"，告诉了我们生命起源的奥秘。我们发现圣经开宗明义的第一条告诉我们神的存在和他创世的伟业。这些伟业都来自他的口中的话语。

2. What was created and on which day?神在哪天创造了什么 ?创世纪 **Genesis 1:3 – 2:3**

Pattern 1		Pattern 2	
Day 1		Day 4	
Day 2		Day 5	
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According to the Bible, everything God created was good!

圣经告诉我们，上帝所造的一切都是好的。

In the beginning, God used His word to create the heavens and the earth. Today, do you believe that God will create a new heart in you through His word?

创世之初，上帝用他的话语创造天地，今天，你是否相信上帝也能通过他的话语为你创造一个新的心？

我的决定 MY DECISION

☐ *I would like God to create a new heart in me when I study the Bible more and more.*
我愿意通过不断的学习圣经，让上帝为我创造一个新的心。

3. When God created, He did it by speaking. What do our words reflect? 当上帝创造一切的时候，他只需开口，事便成了，我们的口中的话语反映着什么？
路加福音 **Luke 6:45**

圣经答案 The Bible answers: _____

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Our words reflect what is in our heart or mind – they reveal our character. Have you been to an art gallery? Each artist puts their unique style into their creative works and the works tell us something about the artist. Do you think God's words express His character?

我们的话语反映着我们心中的情感，我们的思想，我们的品格。当我们浏览美术馆中的作品时，我们看到是一部部反映着画家们个人风格，人格境界的作品。你是否觉得上帝的话语也在反映着他的品格？

4. So why did God create man? 上帝为何要创造人类？以赛亚书 **Isaiah 43:7 and** 诗篇 **Psalms 8:4-6**

圣经答案 The Bible answers: _____

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5. What does the word 'glory' mean? "荣耀"的意思是什么？ 出埃及记 **Exodus 33:18-19**

圣经答案 The Bible answers: _____

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'Goodness', 'gracious' and 'mercy' are character attributes of God. Every creation of God came into being by the word of God. Every creation shows a few characteristics of God. For example:
- when we look at a mountain, we see the **majesty** of God;
- When we look at a butterfly, we see the **beauty** of God;
- When we look at a huge waterfall, we see the **power** of God etc.

The glory of God is the character of God. Every element of creation is there to show the wonderful characteristics of God.

善良,和蔼,仁慈是上帝的品格。上帝的每个创造都来自他的口中的话语。万物都在反映着上帝的品格，比如高山反映上帝的**雄壮**，蝴蝶反映上帝的**美妙**，瀑布反映上帝的**磅礴**。

所以上帝的荣耀就是上帝的品格。

6. According to the Bible, mankind, the pinnacle of God's creation is created in Who's image? 根据圣经,人类,上帝登峰造极的创作,是以谁的形象而造的**?** 创世纪 **Genesis 1:27**

圣经答案 The Bible answers:_____

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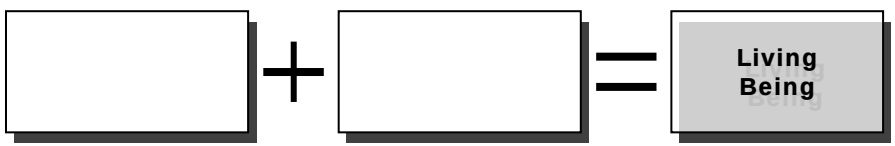
7. How did God create man and what two things were used to make man a living being? 上帝是如何造人的,使人成为有生命的两样东西是什么?
创世纪 **Genesis 2:7**

圣经答案 The Bible answers:



What is the difference between mankind and the other creations of God? A flower or a butterfly can only reflect limited characteristics of God. On the other hand, humanity was God's prime creation because humans can continually grow and develop more and more characteristics of God. We were intended to have 'eternal glory' (1 Peter 5:10).

人类和世间万物的差别在哪里？花草鸟兽只能反映上帝有限的品格，人却能不断发展完善，不断反映上帝的品格，人本来是能够享有"永远的荣耀"的(彼得一书5:10)

8. But what happened to man? 但是人后来发生了什么事？ 罗马书**Romans 3:23**

圣经答案 The Bible answers:_____

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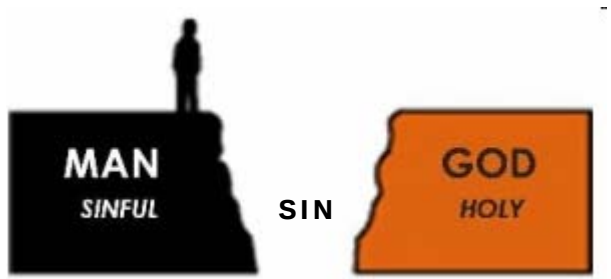

9. How can we reflect the character of God today? 我们今天如何能够反映上帝的品格?
诗篇 Psalms 51:10 哥林多后书 2 Corinthians 4:6

圣经答案 The Bible answers:_____

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